

Dear Deborah.

Tuesday - Morning May 3.

I got a long letter to you all ready to send - on Saturday - but no way offered & I did not get it off & now it is the news - or rather there was very little in it -

Last Thursday Emma & Lucia came to Boston to endeavour to accomplish that portentous shopping of theirs, they found Henry & Maria just setting out for Weymouth - intending to stay there till Saturday morning & then return bringing little Anne & great Anne with them, with the intention of Miss Anns' accompanying them on a projected tour to Northampton - Lucia went directly home with them staying in <sup>Boston</sup> ~~Weymouth~~ only a few hours, & Emma came to Roxbury & spent the night with me - Lizzy was sick with a slight attack of scarlet fever - it did not amount to that - though she was very restless & fevered for two nights - & her throat very bad - I kept Emma until Saturday afternoon when her shopping happily accomplished she went home - (all this toting is done in the Quincy stage) - Saturday I went to Boston for a season - & found that Maria & Henry had returned accompanied by Anne Weston but little Ann was not permitted to leave the paternal roof as Mr. thought they had better let well alone - There was no news in town save & except that Warren concluded a bargain with John H. Pearson to go as supercargo in one of his ships Warren loading one forth - for which he has credits in London - how his honourable single will approve this proceeding, condemnt state - but he thought well of it & Tom & Wm. advised it & I did not discourage it - I am only afraid about the climate - & the yellow fever - but can't help it - He will return directly to Boston from Havana & take passage in a steamer for England - He will probably sail, tomorrow (Wednesday) & goes to Weymouth this afternoon taking Sarah with him - He goes, in the ship Charles Carroll Capt Rogers, - who is pious -

There was a board meeting of the Chass Soc - notified for Monday morning - To confer with a



Delegation from Essex County: to prevent collision  
between the Mass. & the Essex County Societies"

The Essex County wishing to take them into its  
own hands - I suppose there may be a trifle  
of dissatisfaction with the Mass. Soc. - created by  
that foolish Pillsbury & more foolish Foster  
I have not yet heard the result of the board  
meeting - Anne is going to New York from North-  
hampton - via Norwich - probably with David Lee  
- I shall go with Collins' expectation from  
Boston - you have probably seen in this his arrange-  
ment - I shall join myself to Henrietta & Catherine  
who are going & should be truly glad to join  
them coming home, for they mean to return  
via Albany & Springfield - going up the River  
from New York - but neither time or money  
will allow me to do this -

But I succeeded in engaging a woman to  
do my habit - & after dinner I hurried back  
to Roxbury where I have left Lizzy - I forgot  
to say that Emma carried the "Ministry"  
home with her - & would have it, I felt a little  
nervous ~~with~~ about sending them by any but some  
careful private hand & I thought it would be too  
large a bundle for Abby's trunk - You had better  
get them yourself when you come up -

You are coming are you not? to the New-  
England Convention -

I found Lizzy comfortable - I staid all night  
at Roxbury & went in the morning to hear Mr  
Putnam - After dinner I walked to town -  
Joanna went in in the morning to take letters to the  
Steam boat to his dear uncle - I found Henry Mis-  
erable having had a bad night - & they were  
all considering the probabilities of a house in Sum-  
mer street just vacated by Mrs Elliot - in the  
same block with Mr. Frothingham's & Geo Blake  
just opposite Pratt's Garden - after tea Henry  
got the key & we went to look up it & when  
it so much that it was decided not to let  
it slip - the rent is \$750, but it was hoped that  
it might be obtained for 700 - When we came back



it rained so that I could not as I have proposed  
walk out to Roxbury - Wendell & Mellen in, in the  
evening - the latter musical -

Henry had a better night & started in  
the morning for Northampton at 1/2 past  
2 with trunks & trunk boxes innumerable  
Harriet has a new bonnet - of tartan tissue muslin  
over white silk with Lilac flowers - & also  
a new gown - Anne got your bonnet done  
& trimmed it with a light green ribbon &  
green flowers - & she went off to assist Mr.  
Tom in high spirits - I have no doubt  
that they will have the sum meet their house  
& I hope that Henry may so far enjoy as  
to have some enjoyment in it but  
I am full of fears & anxieties for him -  
I went to my habit woman in the morning  
& then hurried out of town - bent in the cloth -  
& after school at night went again - to try  
on - also got my pink gown done - went to  
the jewelry shop to see about buttons for it - but  
not get them - Come back to Roxbury  
then & found Mary Chapman had been to  
see me -

I suppose you saw in the paper poor  
Emily Phillips' death - she died with great  
composure & bitterness - named her child  
Margaret Reynolds - & left it to her sister's  
care - who was with her - an unmarried  
sister - lives at Alexandria I believe -  
I shall write you next from New York  
as I shall have more than I can do  
to get ready for my expectation & shall  
not write again unless something specific  
happens - Ann is going to write to you  
from Northampton so you will probably  
have more news from them than we  
shall have - & I take it that those  
lazy children at Weymouth do not neg-  
lect you as they do me - Yours most  
affectionately Caroline Weston -





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Miss Debora Weston.

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